2016 Deer Hunting Permit Application

Applications are now being accepted from residents and non-residents for the 2016 Archery deer hunting season for the Town of Andover Conservation land. Hunters (residents and non-residents) who have been involved in previous Andover conservation hunts must re-apply for this year's hunt. Out of state hunters will be included if there are insufficient MA residents who apply.

The deadline for all applications is March 1, 2016. Please email your name, address, date of birth, email address and telephone number to Conservation@andoverma.gov. Candidates can also mail the same information to Conservation Department, Town of Andover, 36 Bartlet Street, Andover, MA 01810. A lottery for non-residents will be held in the conservation commission office at a date to be determined. Applicants are welcome to attend. All hunters must have an up-to-date Mass Hunting license, and proper identification. Hunters are encouraged to purchase antler-less deer tags. A background check on all hunters may be conducted. You will be contacted if you are chosen as a 2016 hunter.

All hunters must pass an archery accuracy test in order to qualify for a hunter permit. Each hunter must be able to hit a 6-inch by 6-inch target from 75 feet, with a minimum of 3 out of 5 arrows. The Andover Sportsmen's Club will be hosting the proficiency tests this year at dates to be determined. These are going to be the only testing dates and attendance is mandatory if anyone wishes to hunt for the 2016 season.

Residents who miss the deadline may contact the Conservation Department for further instructions.

Questions should be directed to the Conservation Division at (978) 623-8311 or conservation@andoverma.gov.